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TO-DAY'S LATEST WAR TELEGRAMS.

GERMANS SUFFER HEAVY LOSSES.

ENEMY SUBMARINES ACTIVE.

British Merchant Vessels Sunk.

NATIVE TRIBES REBEL IN NYASSALAND.

[Reuter's Service to The "Telegraph."]

Jan. 31, 10.20 p.m.

Lloyd's agent at Douglas states that on January 30 the steamer Kilcan Garston was sunk by a German submarine, eighteen miles north-west of Liverpool bar.

The crew was landed by the coasting steamer Gladys.

Nyassaland Natives Rebel.

Jan. 31, 5.55 p.m.

The Press Bureau announces that the Governor of Nyassaland reports that native tribes have rebelled in the Shire Highlands and attacked an estate during night-time, killing three white settlers and wounding one.

They also seized three white women and five children, but subsequently released them, and then attacked a store at Blantyre, killing a watchman and seizing arms and ammunition, but not attacking the whites.

Situation Well in Hand.

The situation is well in hand. The leader of the rebellion has not been captured, but his village has been attacked and several of the ringleaders arrested, three of whom have been executed.

British Re-capture Trenches.

Jan. 31, 5.35 p.m.

A Paris communiqué states:—There have been heavy artillery actions at numerous points. We had the advantage everywhere.

The British Army before La Bassée has re-captured all the trenches momentarily lost.

Germans Bombard a Church.

The Germans bombarded a church to the south of Arras. Further southward we destroyed two of the enemy's guns, several works and a number of mortars, and dispersed concentrations of troops.

The Germans made three fresh attacks at Fontaine-Madame, but all were repulsed.

Submarine in the Irish Sea.

Jan. 31, 12.10 a.m.

The steamer Ben Crannan has been torpedoed off Fleetwood. The crew has been landed.

Three Steamers Sunk.

Jan. 31, 3.5 a.m.

Submarine U 21 met the Ben Crannan, a coaster of 1,978 tons, early in the morning, twenty-one miles west of the mouth of the River Lune. The Germans gave the crew of twenty-three, ten minutes to take to the boats, and then blew up the vessel. The crew was picked up by a fishing smack.

At 12.30 the submarine intercepted the steamer Unda Blanche, bound from Manchester for Belfast, due west of Liverpool.

The crew of ten men with a similar experience.

The Belfast packet which arrived in Liverpool in the evening reports that she saw the submarine destroy a third steamer at 3.40 o'clock in the afternoon.

Vessel Sunk in English Channel.

Jan. 31, 4.25 p.m.

Reuter's correspondent at Havre states that at nine o'clock this morning the steamer Toko Mara, from New Zealand, was eight miles from Cap de la Heve, when an explosion occurred from an unknown cause.

The French trawler Semper rescued the crew of 57 and brought them to Havre.

The Toko Mara sank in an hour and a half, and according to Reuter, had 97,000 carcasses of mutton on board from New Zealand, and gifts of clothing for the Belgian refugees.

TO-DAY'S WAR TELEGRAMS.

Submarine Commander's Orders.

Jan. 31, 1.20 p.m.

According to survivors, the commander of the U 21 said:—"I am sorry to inconvenience you, but I have orders to sink all British craft."

Germans on Admiral von Tirpitz's Threat.

In view of the above telegrams the following comments are of interest:—

Amsterdam, Dec. 23.

The "Frankfurter Zeitung" concludes from some recent declarations of Grand Admiral von Tirpitz to an American journalist that Germany intends to attempt a blockade of the British coast and to destroy British merchant shipping by means of big submarines, in which Germany possesses a superiority over Great Britain.

The paper quotes Admiral von Tirpitz's statement that submarine warfare is more effective than attack by airship, though curiously enough, he keeps silence concerning the purpose of the numerous airships which Germany is constructing.

The paper says that Admiral von Tirpitz's declarations are highly important, and the German public knew well that Germany would have a reply ready to the question how the Germans ought to attack England's nerve centre. Just because Admiral von Tirpitz did not hesitate to express his views so frankly to the public, says the journal, we see a guarantee that he is thoroughly sure of his ground. The paper argues that British naval activity on the Belgian coast is due to the growing fear of German submarine action, but the "Frankfurter Zeitung" continues:

"We occupy Ostend, and mean to hold it as a base, and when our Admiralty considers the moment has arrived we will carry on the blockade war with determination and ruthlessness."

The "Deutsche Tagesszeitung" also considers that Admiral von Tirpitz's declarations are highly important as indicating a means by which the policy of England to starve Germany out may be countered.—Reuter.

New York, Dec. 23.

The morning newspapers devote considerable attention to the long interview with Admiral von Tirpitz, which appeared yesterday in the "Evening Sun."

The "World" in an editorial article, asks should America be expected to say anything in reply to Admiral von Tirpitz. Provided such warfare does not interfere with the lawful rights of Americans it concerns the U.S. no more than the exploits of the Emden and the Karlsruhe. Whether founded on piracy or not, Britain's domination of the sea is very real, and the Admiral's refusal to challenge her to an open fight is a wise one.

The "Tribune" says there is only one trouble about Admiral von Tirpitz's proposed marvellous achievement, and that is its impossibility as long as the present naval conditions prevail.—Central News.

Another Battle Developing.

Jan. 31, 1.20 p.m.

Reuter's correspondent at Petrograd states that a communiqué says the engagements between the Dukla and Vyshoff Passes are assuming the character of a general battle.

The Russians have smashingly defeated the Austrians, southwest of Dukla, carrying three lines of trenches and capturing at least 2,500 prisoners and three guns. The Germans were repulsed with heavy losses at Borjimoff.

Russians Raid Trezibond.

A Russian torpedo boat has raided Trezibond, destroying the barracks and stores. The troops fled.

Reports of German Casualties Confirmed.

Jan. 31, 1.20 p.m.

A Paris communiqué has confirmed the report that the enemy left a large number of dead on the battlefield at the foot of the Great Dune, north of Lombaertzyde, and also in front of the British lines at La Bassée.

There have been fairly vigorous bombardments at Arras, Ecurie and Icclincourt.

In the Argonne there has been a slight retirement of our troops, who are organized on fresh lines 200 metres behind those previously occupied.

The ground was keenly contested and the enemy's losses were very high.

Ours were serious.

(Official Telegrams from French Government, via Peking).

Jan. 30.

The 28th was a good day for the Allies and was marked by local actions. In the Nieuport region a German aeroplane was wrecked and the Allies took a fort in the great sandhill. At Fontaine-Madame we repulsed an attack made by the Germans, who sustained very heavy losses, more than 300 dead bodies being found in front of our trenches. The total losses of the enemy are over one battalion. In the Vosges, artillery fighting prevailed, and the French troops strengthened their positions everywhere on part of the ground conquered on the 27th.

German communiqués are spreading false news. Reports stating that the Germans obtained a marked success in the Craonne region and took French machine guns in Alsace are inaccurate, also those stating that French attacks have been repulsed in Alsace. On the contrary, we gained about 400 metres and maintained our previous gains north of Burnhaupt-le-Bas, Senones, Ban-de-Sapt and Americville. News of a rising in Morocco is absolutely false.

TO-DAY'S WAR TELEGRAMS.

Attacks Repulsed.

Jan. 31.

On the 29th in front of Cuinchy (near La Bassée) British troops repulsed a German attack three battalions strong, who sustained very heavy losses. On the outskirts of Neuville Saint Vaast, our heavy artillery blew up all the caissons of a German battery. In the Albert, Roye, Soissons and Craonne regions, artillery fighting prevailed. A German aeroplane was captured.

(Hard's Telegrams.)

Jan. 29, 6.30 p.m.

French Government Stock now stands at Fr. 73.50. Yesterday was marked specially by local actions, all being favourable for the Allies. In Belgium, in the Nieuport region, we obtained a footing in the great sandhill, and wrecked a German aeroplane. In the Ypres, Lens and Arras sectors artillery duels prevailed, the struggle being very fierce and the firing accurate. Everywhere we consolidated our positions.

A Petrograd official message says:—Fighting is still prevailing north of Pilkaulen and in Grumbinnen. The Russians on the 26th and 27th gained a marked advantage south-east of Dukla Pass, the enemy replying by hastily abandoning ammunition and material.

Jan. 30.

French Government Stock now stands at Fr. 73.80. Yesterday was a calm day on the whole front. In Belgium artillery fighting prevailed. British troops repulsed, in front of Cuinchy, a vigorous attack delivered by three German battalions, with heavy losses. French heavy artillery, north of Arras, took under fire a German battery, and blew up all the caissons. Artillery fighting prevailed in the Albert, Roye, Soissons, Craonne and Rheims sectors, also at Perthes, being very effective and the firing often very accurate, the French batteries behaving splendidly. In Wœvre the Germans blew up a mine, intending to destroy our trenches, but only succeeded in wrecking theirs.

[The following telegrams appeared in our Special Editions published yesterday:]

British Repulse Enemy with Heavy Loss.

Jan. 30, 5 p.m.

A Paris communiqué states that, before Cuinchy, near La Bassée, the British army repulsed an attack by three German battalions. The enemy sustained heavy losses.

Artillery Duels.

Jan. 30, 5 p.m.

The communiqué continues:—Elsewhere the day was mostly calm. There were artillery duels, in which the French heavy guns bombarded the German batteries to the north of Arras and blew up the caissons of the enemy.

Enemy Wreck their own Trenches.

At Flirey the enemy exploded a mine, intending to wreck our trenches, but only succeeded in destroying his own.

British Easily Defeat German Attack.

Jan. 30, 9.10 p.m.

The Press Bureau says that Germans in some force attacked near Cuinchy, but were easily repulsed. Over two hundred dead were counted in front of our trenches. The British casualties were small.

Turkish Positions on the Suez.

Jan. 30, 5.25 a.m.

Reuter's correspondent at Cairo says that the Turks occupy Katia, twenty-five miles north-east of Kantara, with outposts at Bir-el-Duerdar. Twelve miles nearer, there is another post, at Moy-ab-Arab, twenty-five miles east of the bitter lakes; and there is a third at Bir-Mabeluk, ten miles east of Suez. The Turks also have a small post at Tor, on the Red Sea.

A Brush with the British.

A Turkish reconnaissance on Thursday morning came in contact with a British post east of Kantara. It was driven off, leaving four dead. The Turks carried off a wounded Indian officer. One Indian was killed and five (Gurkhas) wounded.

Enemy Easily Defeated.

The enemy who attacked a post at Kubri, near Suez, were easily defeated.

Mistaken for Enemies.

A French pilot and a British observer, who had met with an accident while in their hydroplane, were returning on foot when they were shot dead by patrols, who mistook them for enemies.

Germans Repulsed on the Aisne.

Jan. 30, 1.45 p.m.

A Paris evening communiqué says that, east of Soissons, the Germans twice attempted to cross the Aisne, but were repulsed.

Air-raids and Reprisals in France.

Several aeroplanes bombed Dunkirk on the night of the 28th, killing and wounding some persons. The damage to property was insignificant. Early this morning two French aeroplanes dropped bombs on the enemy's camps in the regions of Léon, La Hore and Scissone.

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WEATHER FORECAST

OVERCAST

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TELEGRAM.

NEWS FOR BUSY MEN.

CONDENSED.

The Germans have bombarded a church to the south of Arras.

It is reported that a German submarine has sunk three British merchantmen.

Heavy artillery actions along the front have resulted to the advantage of the Allies.

The British Army before La Bassée has re-captured all the trenches momentarily lost.

The Governor of Nyassaland reports that native tribes have rebelled, but the situation is well in hand.

The death is announced of Rear-Admiral Montagu, heir presumptive to the 8th Earl of Sandwich.

The Toko Mara, from New Zealand, with carcasses of mutton and gifts of clothing for the Belgian refugees, has been sunk.

It is confirmed that the Germans left a large number of dead north of Lombaertzyde and also in front of the British lines near La Bassée.

The Russians have smashingly defeated the Austrians to the south-west of the Dukla Pass, carrying three lines of trenches with the bayonet.

NEWS.

"Jottings by the Way" appear on page 4 to-day.

The week-end local sport is reported in this issue.

Interesting war articles will be found elsewhere.

Further notes on the crisis appear on page 4.

GENERAL NEWS

The Chinese National Flag. An unconfirmed report states that the Office of the Generalissimo proposes to change the national flag: (1) The national flag to be in three colours, white, black and red, (2) the military flag to be red with three yellow lines on the top.

Two Motor Mishaps in Manila. While driving along Olio Herren, Manila, the other day, Mr. Charles B. Saill met with an accident to his motor-car. The steering gear went wrong and caused the machine to swerve to the side and strike a stone wall, much to the detriment of the machine but without hurting the occupants of the car. Another accident happened in the same street on the same day, resulting in a Filipino boy getting knocked down by a passing car but without serious injuries. He stepped from a car and was hit by the vehicle as it passed. He was struck by the radiator and thrown into the street. At the hospital it was found, says the *Cablenews*, that his injuries were not serious. European Injured in F.M.S.

Mr. A. Wilson, European engine driver on the F.M.S. Railways, was seriously injured when taking the 4.43 train from Taiping Maim to Kuala Lumpur last week. According to the *Malay Mail*, he had just drawn out of Kerling station and when near a bridge 300 yards from the station was seen by his fireman to disappear from the cab. The fireman stated that he believed the driver struck his head on the side of the bridge, but this is considered to be an impossibility. The engine was at once stopped and Mr. Wilson picked up in an unconscious condition. He was taken on the train to Kuala Kubu, where he was at once admitted to the hospital and operated upon for severe injuries to the head. His condition has been critical, but hopes are now entertained that he may pull through.

Harry Thaw in the "Tombs."

New York, January 23.—Harry K. Thaw has been brought here from New Hampshire and is now in the Tombs.

Tibet.

According to the *Shun Pao*, the Dalai Lama has sent a high lame to the office of the Commissioner of Defence on the border of Szechuan to show his adherence to the Republic. General Chang, the Commissioner of Defence, by order of the Central Government, has presented \$2,000 as reward for the messenger and consented to place Chingtu again under Tibetan rule, as well as the temples and public properties hitherto occupied by the Government troops. Thus the situation in Tibet is becoming more hopeful.

Prosperous Manila

Customs. The amount of customs duties collected at the port of Manila from January 1 up to January 26 shows an increase of P. 42,501.66 over the amount collected during the same period last year. The figures for the first 24 days in January 1914 were P. 72,500.57. During the same period this month the collections totalled P. 789,002.23. These figures are only for the port of Manila, but the customs collector states that he expects to show a substantial gain for the other ports when the figures for the first month of the year come in.

Russian Minister's Bereavement.

M. Georges de Plancon, Russian Minister at Bangkok, has suffered a heavy loss in the death of his eldest son, who has died from the effects of wounds received while serving under his country's flag. The bereaved father received a telegram stating that Lieut. Glebe de Plancon, second in command of a torpedo-boat cruising in the Black Sea, had succumbed to his wounds. Lieut. de Plancon was only twenty-five years of age. He came to Bangkok at the time of the coronation of the King of Siam, as A.D.C. to the Grand Duke Boris Vladimirovitch.

The Mining Industry in F.M.S.

Ipo, January 20.—Satisfactory tin prices have brought about an appreciable improvement in the conditions in Kinta Valley, and it is felt that if this is maintained the mines, after the Chinese New Year, will have to consider the question of an increase of wages, which were generally reduced on the outbreak of war.—*Straits Times*.

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seemed like a schoolboy as he ran up our gangway and jumped on deck and met our captain, laughing and talking all the while. It was pretty evident that the German High Seas Fleet was not worrying him or giving him any sleepless nights.

As I told you, I'm on a searchlight at night. When the crew which is off duty turn in, they sling their hammocks near their light in a place which is all iron; iron under foot and iron above, with open gaps at the sides, and entirely open at one end. When big seas are running, the men in their hammocks on the weather side are sometimes washed clean out, by a sea coming up and over, into the water on the iron deck.

One "spasm" a few weeks ago we commenced at five o'clock on the Saturday evening and finished at 2.30 on the Sunday morning, and it rained all the time. Officers and men alike were wet to the skin, and covered with coal-dust mud. That was our worst turn out, though every coal-ship is very much alike, seven or eight hundred men working in a log of coal-dust; coal-dust in the eyes, ears full of it, nostrils full of it, nostrils full of it, and the throat and lips caked up with it.

We usually start early in the morning, and it is probably ten or eleven o'clock at night before we finally finish up and turn in, because, although the collier may push off at teatime, we have to clean the ship down.

With us it is just the same as ever—going in to coal ship and pick up some provisions, and out again.

The Vigil.

The decks now are always running with water, but we are well prepared: We all wear sea-boots up to our knees, and the Admiralty winter clothing has been served out, and a fine lot it is. The Balaklava cap we have is more like a poacher's or bargee's cap, made of blue frieze cloth. Each man, too, wears a lifebelt round his neck all day, and, at night he hangs it up on his hammock ready to slip on should he have to drop out of bed and lie up on deck and go overboard.

The belt is a rubber bladder, like a football, and has a valve like that of a pneumatic tyre. It will keep a man up in the water, and give time for the boats of the other ships to pick him up.

We are all feeling the monotony of this ceaseless vigil, and if the enemy would only come out, we would make up for it, you bet. Every now and again we do get a slight flutter; things happen here at times which will only be heard at the end of the war.

There are heaps of incidents here, though people in London may ask: "What is the Grand Fleet doing besides keeping up the blockade?" They will know when the war is over.

Admiral Jellicoe Smiling.

The movement on board still continues. There is always some sky-larking about, the same singing and wrestling, and the gramophones and cinematograph, worked by the chaplain or doctor.

A few afternoons ago Admiral Jellicoe came on board. He

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HONGKONG, MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 1915.

AN EMPIRE'S RESPONSE.

We commented at some length the other day on the spirit of unity which prevails at this time of crisis among all classes at Home—the solid determination to see the great war through, whatever the cost, until final victory is assured. What we then said applies with equal truth to the Empire as a whole, and Mr. Harcourt's glowing tribute of a few days since to the loyalty and steadfastness of the King's subjects in all parts of the globe was in every sense justified and well-deserved. For when he observed that there had been no sacrifice in men, money and material which seemed too great he was merely saying what has been proved to be true. The self-governing Dominions, India and the Crown Colonies as well, have stood nobly by the Mother Country in her hour of trial, and this fact is all the more gratifying when we remember that, among all their other preparations for the great struggle that is now proceeding, the Germans had steadily and persistently endeavoured to sow discord and to initiate rebellion throughout the Empire.

The fact that our fiscal system, unlike that which Germany adopted in her own Colonies, gave the subjects of the Kaiser all the trade privileges which we ourselves enjoyed, and enabled them to make great commercial strides in all parts of the British Empire, did not satisfy the Germans. Thus was the plot formed deliberately to tear that Empire to pieces and to place it under German domination. Why did the attempt fail, and why did the German expectation miscarry? The answer is plain. The wise course of British rule had built up an unassassable force of loyalty everywhere throughout the seven seas. Thus, instead of the war necessitating the sending of troops to the various parts of the Empire to keep the people in hand, these people everywhere have rallied to the call and have displayed the keenest rivalry in raising forces to fight the battles of the Mother Country on the continent of Europe.

These are some of the fruits which have come to us because of the justice and beneficence of British rule in all corners of the earth. And, to use the words of the late Admiral Mahan, an American who had the greatest admiration for Britain's record among the nations of the world, it can truthfully be said that "the testimony to the uprightness and efficiency of Britain's rule, given by the strong adhesion and support of India and the Dominions, is a glory exceeding that of pitched battles and overwhelming victory."

Receivers of Stolen Goods.

We are right glad to see that an exemplary sentence has been passed on a thief who snatched some electric light bulbs from a Queen's Road verandah. Some two years ago there was a small epidemic of this kind of theft, and, so far as we recollect, both the Post Office and the Supreme Court suffered by such attentions—the Post Office, in fact, to such an extent that it became necessary to safe-guard the letter-box lamps with wire net-work. The point, however, that we should like to discover is who the persons are who make it worth the while of the ordinary sneak-thief to risk the stocks and imprisonment. It is clear enough that the men who make a practice of stealing such things as light-bulbs are not taking them for subsequent use in their own houses, and we are therefore tolerably well justified in assuming that the stolen articles are going to find a market somewhere. But where? We have suggested before that there should be more shop-inspection in Hongkong; a little increased vigilance of this sort might bring to light many things that are at present hidden. At home we say "The receiver is as bad as the thief;" but, in five cases out of six, whether in Hongkong or in England, he is a very great deal worse, and for every month given to the thief we should like to see the deliberate receiver get twelve. Our Sanitary Board.

When the Sanitary Board has finished with raising discussions on the desirability of putting a tax of fifty dollars a year on the luxury of cleanliness, it would do well to turn its attention to such small matters as the times and seasons chosen by its coolies for clearing away street and house refuse. Persons whose rickshaws brought them back from the University Fete on Saturday afternoon by way of Queen's Road West, had the felicity of being borne along through clouds of solid dust created by the energetic brooms of the road-sweepers. Not a drop of water had been sprinkled, and, in places, the dust was literally suffocating. In the same thoroughfare we met two rubbish-carts gathering in their unsavoury harvest and incidentally blocking the traffic as well. We have no wish to seem unreasonable, but we really do feel that six o'clock in the evening is not an ideal time for filth-collecting or for road-sweeping in a crowded street; nor can we think, off-hand, of any other city under British rule where such a thing would be likely to take place.

The University Fete.

Hearty congratulations to those who planned and carried out the arrangements for the fete at the University on Saturday afternoon. They were taking on a big thing; they entertained the greater part of the European population and enormous numbers of Chinese as well; and everything went off beautifully. Undergraduates and professors were tireless in their attentions to visitors, and ever ready to demonstrate whatever might interest or amuse. We have seen no festival in this Colony that could—and did—so readily provide entertainment for Europeans and Asiatics alike, and on all sides one hears the whole thing spoken of in terms of warm admiration. Hongkong has never put up a better fifty-cent's worth since it has been Hongkong.

THE CYCLING CRAZE.

Youth who Damaged Himself Most.

A Chinese youth appeared in the Police Court this morning, before Mr. Hazeland, charged with riding a bicycle to the common danger at Kowloon. Inspector Kerr said that the defendant was riding in Canton Road when he ran into an Indian constable who was on duty there, knocking him over and damaging his rifle. The Inspector said that the defendant, who appeared in court with both hands in a sling, had suffered most damage, while the bicycle was also badly knocked about. Defendant was fined \$3, or seven days' imprisonment.

DAY BY DAY.

CERTAINLY IN OUR LITTLE SPHERE, IT IS NOT THE MOST ACTIVE PEOPLE TO WHOM WE OWE THE MOST. IT IS THE LIVES LIKE THE STARS, WHICH SIMPLY FOUR DOWN ON US THE CALM LIGHT OF THEIR BRIGHT AND FAIR FEELING, UP TO WHICH WE LOOK, AND OUT OF WHICH WE GATHER THE DEEPEST CALM AND COURAGE.—Brooks.

The Weather.

Lower level 8 a.m. Temp. 67; dull.

At the Peak 8 a.m. Temp. 62; dull.

Count the Columns.

On Saturday the Telegraph published 37 columns of solid reading matter. To-day there will be 33 published.

The Dollar.

The rate of the dollar on demand today is 9.3-16d.

Farmer's Loss.

A farmer at Tui Teo Ngan has reported to the police the theft of a brown cow, valued at \$25, and a bullock worth \$20.

For Drill Purposes.

We are requested to state that the Happy Valley will be used by the Military for drill purposes from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Tuesday, February 2nd.

T. K. K. Agent.

Mr. K. Doi has assumed charge of the Hongkong office of the T. K. K. from to-day, as acting agent, on Mr. O. Wuriu's transfer to Japan.

Armed Robbery.

An armed robbery is reported as having taken place at Hung Shek Mun, wheresoever on Friday, four men burst into a fisherman's hut, armed with revolvers, and stole \$43.

Colony's Health.

Last week there were three cases of enteric notified in the Colony (English, Indian and Chinese respectively) of which one ended fatally. There were also two non-fatal cases of diphtheria (Chinese).

Junks Collide.

The mistress of a trading junk has complained to the Police that while sailing in the Capesman Pass on Saturday her craft was run into by another boat and damaged to the extent of \$150. The master and one of the crew were also slightly hurt.

Stolen Yarn.

Six weeks' imprisonment and four hours' stocks was the sentence meted out to a Chinese this morning by Mr. J. R. Wood for stealing cotton yarn from the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co. The man said that he had picked the yarn up.

The Bijou Pictures.

The war films at the Bijou Theatres were shown to a good audience last night and were well appreciated. The picture dealing with the proposed and the actual re-adjusting of the map of Europe stands out among the cleverest films Pathé Frères have produced.

Can't Secure Conviction.

Last week the police arrested a coolie for being in possession of 20,000 Macao lottery tickets, but on his appearance at the Police Court he was discharged. The difficulty of bringing home the offence to the right man was again evidenced to-day, when another coolie who was charged with being in possession of seven thousand tickets was similarly dealt with.

Drink Prohibition in Alabama.

NOTES ON THE CRISIS.

GERMANY'S LATEST SCHEME.

Interfering With Britain's Food Supply.

What Admiral von Tirpitz was good enough to promise to an American interviewer—that submarines would be used to cut off England's food supplies—has apparently come to pass so far as an attempt at a fulfilment of the promise is concerned. Whether the move is successful or not is a matter over which neither the Admiral, nor the Kaiser himself, have much control. After all, when these things are viewed dispassionately, it is clear that this is only another German attempt at doing the obvious. They have sounded all the murky depths of dishonour in diplomacy and tactics, every one of their deplorable schemes has gone wrong, and now the great tacticians of a failing campaign have had to resort to the pallid streams of the obvious. At the same time, while there is no immediate cause for alarm, it must not be forgotten that there is more than a little chance of considerable damage being done to British merchantmen, and the only cause for wonder is not that the Germans have at last discovered this way of getting a little of their own back, but that they should have taken so long to discover its possibilities.

Attempting the Impossible.

The raid in the Irish Sea demonstrates two great facts—first, that all seas within steaming range are open to the latest submarine, and, secondly, that, until science has discovered some means of detecting these craft, work of this nature will be easy of performance. The remedies are not so apparent. It is conceivable that, once on the scene of action, a submarine can keep herself going for almost an indefinite time by obtaining stores from the ships she holds up, for, after all, supplies for a nation must contain much that would be of use to a small crew. The only factor that would seem, then, to restrict the activities of the submarine would be the failure of fuel supplies, and as long as that is so nothing in the nature of a continuous blockade can be maintained. If, on the other hand, the Germans endeavour to maintain a blockade by relays of submarines to the west of the British Isles they are backing a loser. They can no more keep up a service of submarine craft than they can raid the English coasts with impunity. Even the German crack-pot can go once too often to the well.

The Russian Successes.

Telegrams which came to hand on Saturday telling of a most important victory for the Russians in the Carpathians are now followed up by others showing that the enemy there has indeed very badly hit. The rival forces have come to grips, and we are told that the engagements are assuming the character of a general battle—a battle, too, which is proving disastrous to the Austrians, who have met with a smashing defeat. The Russians are fighting with such dash and courage that it looks as if nothing can now stay their advance into the enemy's territory. A couple of days ago it was reported that large German and Austrian forces were concentrating along the Carpathians, but from present appearances it would seem that even the arrival of the Kaiser's soldiers will be of no avail. Anyhow, it will be the reverse of encouraging to the assembled Germans to learn that their Allies, the Austrians, are being given such a taste of the Russian bayonet that they are being compelled to beat a hasty retreat, leaving ammunition, guns, etc., behind them. There can be no doubt as to the significance of the successes in this theatre of the war.

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For two days counsel had had a wordy argument as to the admissibility of certain evidence in connection with alleged fraud on the part of two of the directors of the company. Mr. Potter contended that it was not admissible

LADY LUGARD.

A Glowing Tribute to the Belgians.

Lady Lugard pays the following tribute to the Belgian King and people in "King Albert's Book," which is being sold for the benefit of the *Daily Telegraph Belgian Fund*:

"I am honoured in being allowed to express my profound respect for a nation which has listed contemporary history in one step from the commonplace to the heroic. The times have suddenly become great. It is the prayer of all our hearts that we may be great with them. For Belgium the prayer is already answered—she has become a great nation. In material ruin she has risen, to spiritual conquest so complete that the world lies at her feet. No enemy can deprive her of this triumph. Her young King has reason to be proud and glad. So long as history is told it will be remembered that under his leadership Belgium as an entire nation was ready to face martyrdom for her faith. She has suffered a martyrdom which, by its detail of horror and brutality, seems to be misplaced in the history of civilisation. And the faith for which she has suffered is not that which she alone—it is our faith, too. It is faith in honour, faith in truth, faith in courage, justice, liberty—faith in all that renders human relations sacred, tender and inspiring. For this common faith we are prepared to stand.

The nations feel their Governments have said, that arms cannot be laid down until this faith has been vindicated. With this vindication must come the ultimate victory of Belgium and her reinstatement upon a newer and higher plane of nationality.

"It has been happily given to England while waiting in confidence for that day to take her part in offering to the stricken Belgian population such help as hospitality and sympathy can give. My own humble part has been to share with others in this work of consolation. It has been at once our comfort and our privilege. We know, alas too well, how little it is, humanly speaking, possible to assuage the unequal sufferings in the presence of which we find ourselves. But as we have moved daily in the midst of sorrows which must have touched a heart of stone, and have noted with growing admiration the magnificent fortitude, the simplicity, the gratitude for kindness received, with which they have been borne, the hope has become conviction in our hearts that the noble promise will yet again be fulfilled.

"They that sow in tears shall reap in joy and he that goeth on his way weeping and bearing forth good seed shall doubtless come again with joy and bring his sheaves with him. Shall doubtless—it is for that doubtless that I believe our whole nation is prepared to maintain the fight while there is a man or woman left in the British Empire."

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REVIEW.

"FINANCE IN CHINA."

Finance in China. By S. R. Wagel. (Shanghai: The North China Herald, Ltd., \$10 or 15/- net). In "Finance in China" Mr. S. R. Wagel has given to the public a volume which the business element will read with the keenest interest and which has a very great deal in it that will claim the attention of non-business readers who wish to enlarge their fund of information concerning China and Chinese ways.

Starting from the assumption that the Republic of China is "a product of the most impracticable idealism"—an assumption to which those of his readers who have followed the course of events during the past three years will probably not take a very great exception—Mr. Wagel reminds us that the country is faced with questions that are anything but idealistic; tight questions of finance and of profit and loss which all the theories in the world will not solve. That the country has got into a bad way on account of bad finance is his primary contention, though he is careful to add that the same thing has happened before in China; and the bright little historical interpolations with which the book is dotted serve to drive home the assertion.

An Agricultural Country.

Another point which Mr. Wagel brings out, and one which the rest of the world is apt to ignore, is that China is, before all things, an agricultural country, and that it is the "tiller of the soil who counts as the main prop of the Government." This matter will specially interest those who are concerned directly or indirectly with the pushing of newer industries in China. The area of cultivated land has, it seems, been variously estimated at 800,000,000 acres and 400,000,000 acres. The forests, too, Mr. Wagel reminds us, further constitute a big source of revenue—or would do, but that the trees have been felled in many places without new ones being planted. The division of the land in the various provinces is gone into very closely, and, from the author's analysis, China would appear to be Paradise for the advocates of small holdings. A formidable array of figures as to the yield of the various lands is given, and from it one feels inclined to argue that there is less excuse for Chinese finance being in the topsy-turvy condition in which it finds itself to-day than many people would have believed.

Chinese Revenue.

Sundry other sources of revenue are gone into with thoroughness: salt, likin, customs, etc.; and, while on this subject, the author has no hesitation in rating out opium for good and all. "The future of this source is, of course, settled," he says. "There will be no more likin on foreign opium and, as the cultivation of the poppy is being vigorously suppressed, there is also little chance of collecting likin on native opium. This source of revenue is bound to disappear at an early date."

A long chapter is devoted to means of internal communication; that on labour is but short, yet the author contrives to impart a very great amount of information as to wage-farming which we imagine will be new to many of our readers. The chapter dealing with industries and manufactures is again an exceedingly full one, giving valuable statistics about the different parts of the country.

Current Matter.

The course of trade-progress in general is followed very closely, but the chapter which will probably prove most enticing to Hongkong readers, who pass much of their time in wrestling with the currency problem and the dark and vain ways of Chinese monetary systems in general, are those on "The Finance of Trade," "Exchange and Banking," "Money, Credit and Prices," and "Public Finance;" for here we at last get something of an insight into the mysteries of local values and the whys and wherefores of the ups and downs of exchange.

From the above faint outline it may possibly be assumed that Mr. Wagel's book is one calculated to appeal only to the man whose delight is in "dots and figures." To assume this is, however, to do

LATEST WAR TELEGRAMS.

(Continued from page 1.)

Another German Aeroplane Brought Down.

A German aeroplane was brought down, east of Gerbeville to-day, and the aviators were captured.

Germans Again Repulsed Near Gumbinnen.

Jan. 30, 1.45 a.m. A Petrograd communiqué says there has been no important change in Eastern Prussia or on either bank of the Vistula. Fighting continues in the forest region north of Pilkallen and Gumbinnen. The Germans have renewed their attacks in the Borjimoff region and have been repulsed with heavy loss by a counter-attack. We dislodged the enemy from the trenches with the bayonet and captured several mitrailleuses.

More Captures by Russians.

Our progress on the Galicia front, in the Daklin and Vyschkeff passes has been maintained, notwithstanding a desperate resistance on the part of the Austrians—except in the region of the Beskid pass, where, in consequence of an offensive from superior enemy force, our advance guards fell back little on previously prepared positions. We captured, along this front during the last three days, 2,400 prisoners, three guns and ten mitrailleuses. Nothing important is happening in Bukovina.

Crushing Defeat of Turks.

Jan. 30, 11.30 a.m. Reuter's correspondent in Paris says that the Matin states that the Turks have suffered another crushing defeat in Persia, their right wing being overthrown by the Russians, who are reported to have entered Tabriz. The Turks are fleeing.

WEDDING AT THE CATHEDRAL.

Mr. G. A. Dutton—Miss G. A. S. Callaghan.

The wedding took place on Saturday, at St. John's Cathedral, of Mr. G. A. Dutton, A.C.A., third son of Mr. H. B. Dutton, J.P., and Mrs. Dutton, of Orton Park, Chester, and Miss Georgina Elizabeth Stuart Callaghan, daughter of the late Mr. T. Stewart Callaghan and Mrs. Collett-McCrea, of Whitehaven, England. The ceremony was performed by the Bishop of Victoria, assisted by the chaplain to the Cathedral, the Rev. V. H. Copley Moyle.

The bride was given away by Mr. A. E. Lowe, of Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews, of whose staff the bridegroom is a member. Her wedding gown was of ivory satin and her bridal veil, of old rose point lace, was surmounted with a wreath of orange blossoms, in harmony with the trimming on the gown. Her bouquet was a white shower. She was attended by Miss Alice Clark, of Shanghai, as bridesmaid, with Miss Kittie Blair and Miss Jessie Blair as train-bearers. Master Dillon Williams acted as page.

The bridesmaid wore a dress of Native blue satin crepe, trimmed with point lace, and a black hat trimmed with pink roses, while the two train-bearers wore white silk frocks trimmed with forget-me-nots, with hats to match, and carried shop-hands' crooks.

Mr. H. S. Bennett acted as best man. Mr. Denman Fuller, F.R.O.O., L.L.A.M., presided at the organ and as the happy couple left the church Mendelssohn's "Wedding March" was rendered and the church bells rung.

Subsequently a reception was held at the Ilongkong Hotel, where Mrs. A. R. Lowe did the honours, and later in the afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Dutton left for Taipo, where the honeymoon is being spent.

The bride's going-away costume was of sapphire blue with velvet hat to match, trimmed with ostrich feathers. Her furs were of Arctic fox.

The writer an injustice, for the pages are so full of matters historical and sociological that one can forget that one is pursuing a work on so outwardly forbidding a subject as finance. "Finance in China" is written by a man who keeps his eyes about him and his powers of observation ever on the alert; for which reason it is as far removed from the dry-as-dust politico-economical treatises penned by writers of the ledger and statistic sheet order as it is possible to conceive. The volume should be in every office in the East and in every library in the West.

TELEGRAMS

OBITUARY.

REAR-ADmirAL MONTAGU.

(Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph," London. Received Feb. 1.)

The death is announced of Rear-Admiral the Hon. Victor Alexander Montagu, C.B., Heir Presumptive to the 8th Earl of Sandwich.

[The deceased, who was born in 1841, joined the Navy in 1853, served in the Baltic, the Black Seas, the China War of 1857 and in the Indian Mutiny with the Naval Brigade in 1857-58, and part of 1859. He was promoted by an Order-in-Council and received the thanks of both Houses of Parliament for his services in the Naval Brigade, in 1860, served in the Channel Fleet, the Mediterranean and the West India Stations, and, part of the time, was senior officer, coast of Spain, during the Carlist riots. He retired in 1886.]

CLAIM FOR RENT.

Was Defendant a Partner or Not?

In the Summary Court, this morning, before Mr. Justice Gompertz, Chan K-wai-sing, Merchant, 9, Gresson Street, (second floor) sued Lawran and Company, 1p Nam-mow, Chan Tez-Cheung, Wong Cheng-ki, Tam Wai-cho, and Tam Kwok-choy, alias Tam Yuk-nam, alias Tam Ling, partners in Lawran and Company, for the sum of \$1,000, being the balance due on December 1, 1914, under an agreement dated August 19, 1914.

Mr. Grist, of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist, appeared for the plaintiff and Mr. Dennis, of Messrs. Dennis and Bowley, appeared for the defendant, Tam Yuk-nam.

Mr. Grist, in opening, said he understood that judgment had been entered against the first, second, third, fourth and fifth defendants.

His Lordship said judgment had not been entered against the second defendant.

Mr. Grist said that the lease of the property was signed by the defendants and the rent was to be \$1,100 a month. The rent for the month of November was paid either in cash or a promissory note, but when the rent for December became due, \$1,100 was paid on account and now they were asking for the balance.

Mr. Dennis said that his defense was that his client was not a partner in the firm.

The hearing was proceeding as we went to press.

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N.B.—The word "throughout" used in this Notice means that the houses should be Limeashed in respect of all the Walls of each Room, all Cubicles, Partitions, Stair Casings and Stair Linings, all Ceilings and the Undersides of Roofs in Main Buildings, Offices and Servants' Quarters and inclusive of Verandas.

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W. BOWEN ROWLANDS,

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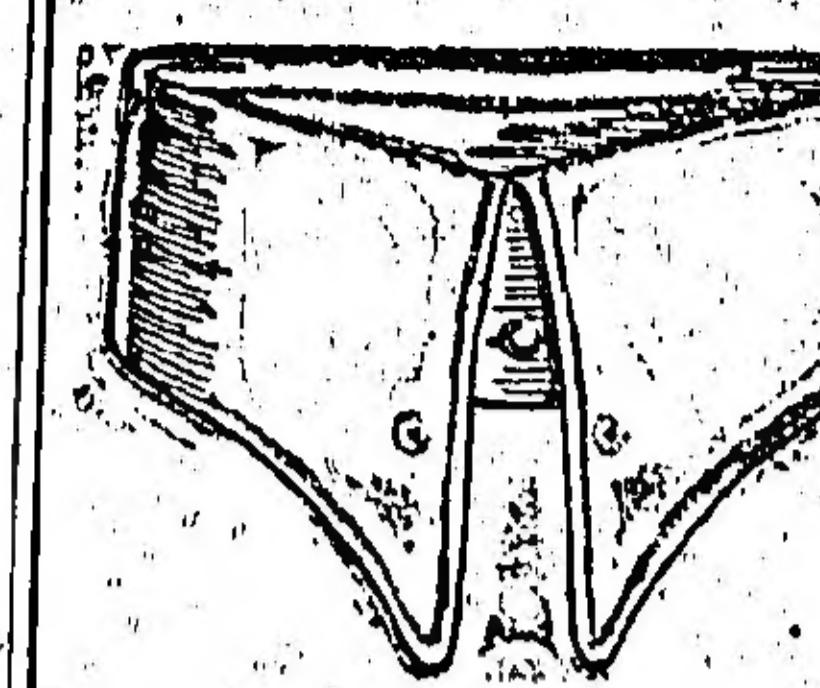
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SUNDAY, 7th FEBRUARY.

The Company's new Steamship TAISHAN will depart from the COMPANY'S WING LOK STREET WHARF at 8 a.m. and return from Macao at 2 p.m.

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NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA

THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.

Projected Sailings from Hongkong—

Destination.	Subject to Alteration	Steamers.	Sailing Date
MARSEILLE AND LONDON via Singapore, Penang, Colombo, Suez & Port Said	Kamo Maru Capt. Shimizu Kashima Maru Capt. Yagi	16,000 T. 19,000	THURS. 11th Feb. at noon. THURS. 25th Feb. at noon.
VICTORIA, B.C., and SEATTLE via Shai, Moji, Kobe, Yokosha, and Yokohama	Sado Maru Capt. Asakawa	T. 12,500	TUES. 9th Feb. at noon.
SYDNEY & MELBOURNE, via Townsville and Brisbane	Hitachi Maru Capt. Sato Tango Maru Capt. Soeda	T. 13,500 T. 13,500	FRIDAY, 12th Feb. at 4 p.m. FRI., 12th Mar. at 4 p.m.
CALCUTTA via Spore, Penang & Rangoon	Ceylon Maru Capt. Shinohara	T. 12,000	SATUR. 6th Feb.
BOMBAY via Singapore and Colombo	Jinsen Maru Capt. Terada	T. 5,000	TUES. 9th Feb.
SHANGHAI, Kobe	Rangoon Maru Capt. Nomura	T. 12,500	SATURDAY, 20th Feb.
SHAI and Kobe	Kawachi Maru Capt. Nakamura	T. 12,500	TUES. 9th Feb.
NAGASAKI, Kobe & Yokohama	Tango Maru Capt. Soeda	T. 13,500	TUES. 9th Feb. at 10 a.m.
KOBE & Yokohama	Mishima Maru Capt. S. Wada	T. 16,000	SATUR. 6th Feb. at 11 a.m.

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FOR EUROPE.

Steamers.	Displacement.	Leave Hongkong.
Kamo Maru	16,000 tons	Thursday 11th February
Kashima	20,000 "	21st February
Mishima	16,000 "	11th March
Siwa	25,000 "	25th March
Atsuta	16,000 "	8th April
Yasaka	25,000 "	22nd April
Miyasaki	16,000 "	6th May
Kitano	16,000 "	20th May
Fushima	25,000 "	3rd June

FOR AMERICA.

Steamers.	Displacement.	Leave Hongkong.
Sado Maru	12,500 tons	Tuesday 9th February
Yokohama	12,500 "	23rd February
Awa	12,500 "	9th March
Shidzuoka	12,500 "	23rd March
Tamba	12,500 "	6th April
Aki	12,500 "	20th April
Sado	12,500 "	4th May

*Terminus Yokohama

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T. KUSUMOTO, Manager.

SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

For	Steamers.	To Sail
PAKHOI & HAIPHONG	Kaifong 2nd Feb. at 11 a.m.
CEBU & ILOILO	Kaieichow	.... 2nd Feb. at noon.
SHANGHAI	Anhui	.... 2nd Feb. at 4 p.m.
NINGPO & SHANGHAI	Shaohsing	.... 2nd Feb. at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	Yingchow 4th Feb. at 4 p.m.
MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	Taming 8th Feb. at 4 p.m.

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Tilmanock	JAVA	... 1st half Feb.	SHAI	... 1st half Feb.
Tilkebang	JAPAN	... 1st half Feb.	JAVA	... 1st half Feb.
Tillwong	JAVA	... 1st half Feb.	JAPAN	... 1st half Feb.
Tillatlap	JAVA	... 1st half Mar.	JAPAN	... 1st half Mar.
Tilitoem	JAVA	... 2nd half Mar.	SHAI	... 2nd half Mar.

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SHANGHAI via Swatow	Chrysanthemum	Tues. 2nd Feb. at d'light
KOBE & Yokohama	Lalsang	Wed. 3rd Feb. at d'light
SHANGHAI	Wingsang	Wed. 3rd Feb. at d'light
HAIPHONG	Taksang	Wed. 3rd Feb. at 8 p.m.
MANILA	Talsang	Sat. 6th Feb. at 3 p.m.
SHANGHAI & Kobe	Kumsang*	Tues. 9th Feb. at d'light
MANILA	Loongsang*	Sat. 13th Feb. at 3 p.m.

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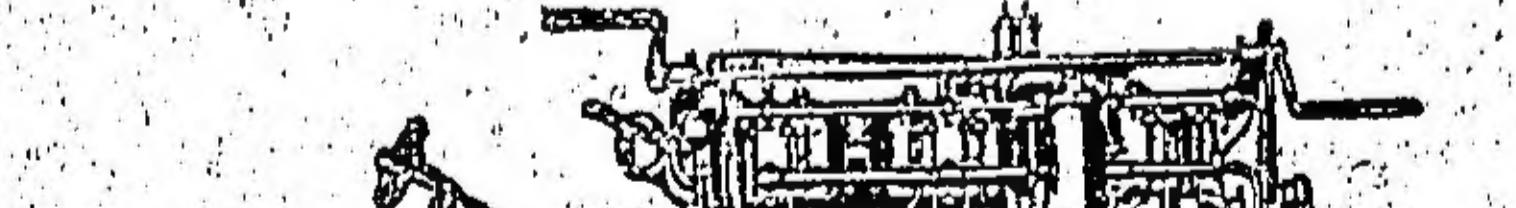
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NEW YORK, SAN FRANCISCO AND CANADA.

Via, B.C. T'ma via K'lung, Japan	Panama M.	O. S. K.	4, Feb.
New York via Ports & Suez Canal	Chinese P.	S. T. Co.	8, Feb.
V'toria, B.C., & S'levia Shai & C.	Sado M.	N. Y. K.	9, Feb.
San Francisco via M'a & Japan &c.	Nippon M.	T. K. K.	9, Feb.
San Francisco via Shai & Japan &c.	Mongolia	P. M. Co.	17, Feb.
Via, B.C. T'ma via M'a & Japan &c.	Satsuma M.	O. S. K.	23, Feb.
Vancouver via Shai & Japan &c.	Montague	C. P. R.	24, Feb.
New York via Panama	Royal P.	B. L. L.	24, Feb.
San Francisco and San Pedro	M. S. Dollar	R. D. Co.	1, Mar.
San Fr'co via Manila & Japan &c.	Persia	P. M. Co.	2, Mar.

AUSTRALIA.

Australian Ports via Manila	Hitachi M.	N. Y. K.	12, Feb.
Australian Ports	Aldeham	G. L. Co.	14, Feb.

SINGAPORE, COAST PORTS AND JAPAN.

Manila, Cebu and Illoilo	Kuichow	B. & S.	2, Feb.
Kobe & Yokohama	Laisang	J. M. Co.	3, Feb.
Shanghai, Moji and Kobe	Umita	D. S. Co.	4, Feb.
Kobe and Yokohama	Mishima M.	N. Y. K.	6, Feb.
Bombay via Spore, Port S'ham, Penang & Colombo	Java Maru	O. S. K.	6, Feb.
Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama	Tango M.	N. Y. K.	9, Feb.
Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama	Kumsang	J. M. Co.	9, Feb.
Shanghai	Chili	M. M.	9, Feb.
Malta	P. O.	P. & O.	12, Feb.
Kawachi M.	Namur	N. Y. K.	15, Feb.
S'hai, Moji, Kobe and Y'hama	Salamis	B. L. L.	End Feb.
Singapors, Mauritius & South African Ports	Tijonias	J. C. J. L.	Q. desp.
Shanghai	Tijaroom	J. C. J. L.	Q. desp.
Shanghai	Tjikembang	J. C. J. L.	Q. desp.
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MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

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The P. M. ss. SIBERIA arrived at San Francisco on January 25.

The P. M. ss. MONGOLIA sailed from Yokohama on Wednesday, January 27, via Manila, for Hongkong. The mails have been transferred to the s.s. CORDILLERE, of the Messageries Maritimes Line, which is scheduled to arrive at Hongkong on February 5.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The T. K. K. ss. TENYO MARU will next leave for San Francisco, via usual ports, on Tuesday, 13th April, at noon.

The E. & A. ss. ST. ALBANS left Sydney for this port via Queensland Ports and Manila, on 27th inst. and may be expected to arrive here on or about 18th February.

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THE HONG KONG TELEGRAPH.

EXTRA

HONGKONG, MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 1915

TO-DAY'S LATEST WAR TELEGRAMS.

RUSSIANS ENTER TABRIZ.

DUBLIN MAILBOAT PURSUED BY GERMAN SUBMARINE.

[Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph"]

Feb. 1, 3.45 a.m.
Reuter's Petrograd correspondent states that after the battle at Sofian the Turks, who had lost heavily, fled to Tabriz, which the Russians entered at noon on Saturday.

Feb. 1, 3.45 a.m.
The Paris evening communiqué states that there is nothing of importance to report.

Dublin Mailboat Chased.

Feb. 1, 3.45 a.m.
The Dublin mailboat Leinster left Holyhead on Sunday afternoon and was pursued off the Kish lightship by a German submarine for a mile.

The mailboat Ulster left Kingstown at the usual hour last evening, being crowded with passengers.

No Prohibition of Sailings.

The War Risk Assurance Association does not consider it necessary to prohibit the sailing of Liverpool ships.

CIGARETTE AND TOBACCO FUND.

For the Allied Troops at the Front.

Amount acknowledged to 23d January, 1915, \$2,163.27

List No. 1.—Mr. S. H. Dodwell ... 10.00
Messrs. H. A. Lammett, G. Reichman, F. J. Ling, P. Douglass Watson, Wou, H.K., T.M.S., A.H.C., M.T.P., E. G. Smith, C.H.A., W.F.S., G.R.E., W.L., Anonymous, \$1 ... 15.00
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List No. 2.—Mr. U. Kam Wah, ... 5.00
Private H. A. Walker, A.B.C., ... 1.00

List No. 18.—Mr. A. F. Arcelli, ... 5.00
List No. 23.—Miss Courtin and Miss Bainford, ... 7.00
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Lt. Comdr. Hanning Lee, R. N., ... 5.00
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Mr. Jolley, ... 3.00

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Mrs. P. F. A. ... 1.50
Messrs. K. F. June, C. A. Tsan, A. \$1. ... 3.00

List No. 43.—Mr. H. P. Winslow ... 10.30
Mr. B. Baker ... 7.50

Mr. J. Morris ... 5.00
Mr. G. A. Walker, ... 5.00
Mr. C. A. Lambert, ... 5.00
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Mr. Lok Sik Ki, ... 50

List No. 68.—Mr. D. K. M. Hs, ... 5.00

List No. 77.—Received on account from General Staff Steamboat Co., ... 50.00

List No. 86.—Mr. G. P. C. ... 20.00
Mr. A. D. ... 5.00
Mr. J. M. C. ... 5.00
Mr. J. Morris, ... 5.00

Messrs. J. B. L.D.M. J. B. A. D. S. I. G. Ow, G. M. N. O. M. Y. J. H. S. A. E. M. H. O. Y. W. M. M. F. W. C. A. R. A. W. 50

etc., ... 9.00

\$2,538.37

Amount expended to date ... 2,128.25

Balance in hand \$410.12

GEO. J. B. BAYER, Hon. Secretary & Treasurer.

The subscribers will be pleased to hear that on the P. & O. s.s. Nubis, which left on Friday last, a further consignment was forwarded to the front, of 100,000 Woodbine Cigarettes and 264 lbs. "Belle of Virginia" plug tobacco.

Further donations will be thankfully received to enable the Committee to despatch further supplies.

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LOCAL SPORT.

Week-end Football and Cricket.

In the last fixture in the senior division of the Hongkong Football League, the Police beat a weak team from the Club by three goals to one. The Club, whose ranks were without some of their strongest men, did well in the opening, and, after a fierce raid on the Police goal, Fraser, receiving the ball from a save by Swan, after a shot by the Club's centre-forward, tipped it through. Shortly afterwards, while the play was in the Club area, a misunderstanding gave Reynolds a chance, and the equaliser resulted. Play then ruled fairly level to the end of the first half, the score at that stage of the game being one goal all.

In the second moiety, the Police seemed to have things very much their own way, though the pace of the game had considerably decreased. Booker, who in the first half had been well looked after by Railton, managed to get through and gave the Police the advantage with a shot that easily beat the Club's goalie. The third goal for the winners came from a penalty, Booker taking the shot and making no mistake.

Lam Liang's Victory. The Victoria Rovers met the Lam Liang on the Naval Ground and received an interesting lesson from this clever combination of Chinese footballers, who won by one goal to nil. Despite the fact that the Rovers had all the advantage in strength, they were at a disadvantage in speed, and lacked that idea of combination which gave the Lam Liang the victory. The winners are a team which deserves to be well watched. They play good football and know much more than the elements of the game.

CRICKET.

Civil Service Beat Kowloon. Kowloon C. C. went down very badly before the Civil Service C. C. on Saturday, due to the bowling of E. B. Reed, whose efforts showed the good average of seven wickets for thirty runs. For the winners, R. C. Witchell, R. E. O. Bird and W. H. Edmunds did well with 35, 23 and 33 respectively. The scores were:

Civil Service C.C.

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NOTICES.

THEATRE LOYAL, QUEEN'S COLLEGE.
In aid of
THE PRINCE OF WALES' FUND.

Under the Patronage of H.F. the Governor.

On February 4th, 5th and 6th the Chinese Members of the Amateur Dramatic Club of Queen's College will present, in the College Hall,

A CHINESE PLAY.

The performance will begin at 7.30 p.m. Tickets, of the nominal value of one dollar, may be obtained on application to the Hon. Sec., Q.C.A.D.C.

Through the generosity of friends, both European and Chinese, practically the whole of the proceeds of the subscriptions and the sale of tickets will be available for the Fund.

HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE.

The Committee has decided that the following shall be the settlement days for the year 1915:

Thursday January 28th

Friday February 26th

Friday March 26th

Wednesday April 28th

Friday May 28th

Friday June 25th

Wednesday July 28th

Friday August 27th

Tuesday September 28th

Wednesday October 27th

Friday November 26th

Wednesday December 2nd

By order of the Committee.

EDWARD M. RAYMOND,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 26th January, 1915.

THE NATIONAL LOAN
of the
THIRD YEAR OF THE RE-
PUBLIC OF CHINA.
SIXTEEN MILLION DOLLARS
(\$16,000,000).

Subscribers to the above loan are hereby notified that, in accordance with Article V of the Loan Regulations, the full amount of Dollars Nine Hundred and Sixty Thousand (\$960,000), being the amount of interest on the loan for one year, has been duly raised by the Ministry of Finance and the Ministry of Communications, and has been deposited by the undersigned in the following Foreign Banks, namely, the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation and the Russo-Asiatic Bank, as a permanent guarantee for the interest on the loan.

F. A. AGLEN,
Inspector General of Customs, & Vice-Chairman of the Bureau of National Loans.
Inspectorate General of Customs, Peking.
18th January, 1915.

THE HONGKONG CENTRAL ESTATE, LIMITED.

Notice is hereby given that the First Ordinary Meeting of Shareholders in this Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on Tuesday, the 2nd February, 1915, at 11.45 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the report of the Directors together with the statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1914.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be closed from Friday, 22nd January, to Tuesday 2nd February, 1915, (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By order of the Board of Directors.

THE HONGKONG CENTRAL ESTATE LTD.,
A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary to
The General Manager.
Hongkong, 13th January, 1915.

SINGON & CO.

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Don't forget after the Show Supper, and Light Refreshments ALEXANDRA CAFE
Open till midnight.

ENTERTAINMENTS.

THEATRE ROYAL,
HONGKONG.

TO-NIGHT, MON. FEB. 1.

MAURICE E. BANDMAN

Presents Messrs. Philip Braham & Campbell's Co.

"THE GROTESQUES"

The Laughter-makers.

From the Savoy Theatre, London. In addition to a full musical programme of solo and concerted numbers, the Company will play the undermentioned Extravaganzas on the following dates:

Mon. Feb. 1 - AMATEUR THEATRICALS.

"All Right on the Night."

Tues. & Wed. 2 & 3 Feb. - "THE TELEPHONE BELLE."

Thursday & Friday 4 & 5 Feb. - "THE MAYOR'S MATINEE."

Saturday, February 6.

Special Programme; particulars will be announced later. Please note that on each change of performance the entire musical programme is also changed.

Prices \$3, \$2, \$1. Doors open 8.30 p.m. Curtain 9.15 p.m.

Booking at MOUTRIE'S.

THEATRE ROYAL,
HONGKONG.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27TH,

AT 9 P.M.

GRAND CONCERT

WILL BE GIVEN

Under the distinguished patronage of H.E. the Governor, Sir Henry May, K.C.M.G., H.E. Major-General Kelly, C.B., and Commodore Anstruther, C.M.G.

IN AID OF THE
CIGARETTE AND TOBACCO FUND.

PRICES AS USUAL.

Booking at MOUTRIE'S.

VICTORIA THEATRE.

TUESDAY, 2nd February, 1915.

The Powerful Drama

in 3 Parts - 4,000 Feet Long.

THE MILLS OF THE GODS.

Look out for the Wireless from the War & the War Pictures.

The Great Detective Picture,

FANTOMAS

in 3 parts.

Mallues

Every Wednesday, Saturday & Sunday.

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"LIKE THE EAGLE"

a sensational drama

in 4 parts - Length 5,000 Feet.

"THE SHERIFF'S BROTHERS" American Drama.

"MARRIED A YEAR"

Great Comic.

ANIMATED WAR GAZETTE etc., etc.

COMING SHORTLY
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A VALUABLE COLLECTION OF ANTIQUE CHINA & CURIOS

(Just arrived from the North).

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction on

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A Valuable Collection of Antique China & Curios from Sung to Ming Dynasties and Kanghi to Towkwoon Periods, comprising - 5-coloured, 3-coloured and Blue and White Plates, Bowls, Vases, Incense Burners, Figures, etc., etc.

Sang-de-boeuf vases, white "Cassandra of Mercy" (Ming).

Old Cold Inlaid bronzes, Ming.

Fine Crystal Vases & Snuff Bottles.

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Old lacquered screens with 5-coloured decoration &

Blackwood screens inlaid with blue & white & 5-coloured

Kanghi & Kienlung porcelain plaques, etc., etc.

N.B. - The Undersigned will give a 2-weeks' guarantee as to the genuineness of the articles offered.

Catalogues will be issued.

On view from Saturday, the 6th February, 1915.

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GEO. P. LAMMERT
Auctioneer.

OFFICIAL MARKET PRICES

Hongkong, January 29, 1914.

BUTCHER MEAT.

	Cts.		
Beef Sirloin & Prime Cut, -Mei Lung Pa	lb. 21	Carambola, -Young To	0
" Corned, -Ham Ngau Yuk	21	Coconuts, -Ye Tee	each 12
" Roast, -Shiu	21	Grapes, -Po Tai Tze	lb. 30
" Breast, -Ngau Lam	19	Lemons, China, -Ling Mung	15
" Soup, -Tong Yuk	16	Lichees Dried, -Lai Chi, small Stone	30
" Steak, -Ngau Yuk Pa	22	Fresh, -	-
" do, -Sirloin, -Ngau Lau	33	Pears, (American), -Kiu San Shoot Lay	-
" Sausages, -Ngau Cheung	28	(Canton), -Cookins, -Sha Li	10
Bullock's Brains, -No	per set 12	Peanuts, -Fa Shang	10
" Tongue, fresh, -Ngau Li	each 50	Persimmons Large, -Hung Tsze	8
" corned, -Ham Ngau Li	60	Fine-apples, 1st quality, -Pun Ti Po Lo	each
" Head, -Ngau Tan	set 1.20	2nd Chung-tang Fo Lo	-
" Heart, -Ngau Sam	lb. 14	Plantain, -Tai Chiu	lb. 3
" Hump, Salt, -Ngau Kin	22	Plums, -Swatow, Hung Lai	-
" Feet, -Ngau Keuk	each 12	Pumelo, Siam, -Chim Lo Yau	each 15
" Kidneys, -Ngau Yiu	12	Shanghai, -Lo Kwat	-
" Tail, -Ngau Mei	20	Walnuts, -Ho To	lb. 15
" Liver, -Ngau Kon	lb. 13	" Green, -Sing Hop Tu	-
" Tripe (undressed), -Ngau To	6	Water Melon, - (Am.) Kom San Sui Kwa	each
Calves' Head & Feet, -Ngau-tsai-tau-keuk	set 1.20		
Mutton Chop, -Young Pei Kwat	lb. 26		
" Leg, -Young Poi	26		
" Shoulder, -Young Shau	24		
" Saddle	27		
Pigs Chittings, -Chu Chong	24		
Brains, -Chu No	per set 24		
" Feet, -Chu Keuk	lb. 14		
Fry, -Chu Chap	16		
Head, -Chu Tau	each 12		
Heart, -Chu Sam	18		
Kidneys, -Chu Yin	lb. 30		
Liver, -Chu Kon	26		
Pork, Chop, -Chu Pai Kwat	26		
" Corned, -Ham Chu Yuk	30		
" Leg, -Chu Pei	30		
Fat or Lard, -Chu Yan	20		
Sheep's Head and Feet, -Young Tau Keuk	set 60		
Heart, -Young Sam	each 8		
Kidneys, -Young Yiu	12		
Liver, -Young Kon	lb. 27		
Sucking Pigs to order, -Chu Tsai	22		
Suet, Beef, -Shang Ngan Yau	22		
Mutton, -Shang Young Yau	27		
Veal, -Ngau Tsai Yuk	19		
Sausages, -Ngau Tsai Cheung	20		
Lard, -Chu Yau	22		

POULTRY.

	Cts.		
Chicken, -Kai Tsai	lb. 30	Chickens, Shanghai, -Sheung-hoi Ah Chi	lb. -
Capon, Large, Small, -Sin Kai	30	Chenck	1
Ducks, -Ap	24	Beans, (French), Macao, -Oh Mou Fin Tsu	1
Doves, -Pan Kai	18	" (French) Shanghai, -Sheung Hai Pin	1
Eggs, Hen, -Kai Tan (cooking)	per doz	Plum	8
Fowl, Canton, -Kai	lb. 34	" Sprout, -Ah Choi	8
" Hainan, -Hoi Nam Kai	28	" Long,	

Commercial.

SHARE REPORT.

COMPARATIVE SHARE QUOTATIONS.

Hawaiian Sugar in the Philippines. Several sugar growers of the Lipa district in Batangas province received from the Philippine bureau of agriculture cuttings of imported Hawaiian varieties which were planted near the native canes. Some encouraging were the results of these tests that an extensive plot was sown at the demonstration station of Lipa, by Mr. C. W. Hines, sugar specialist of the bureau of agriculture, where a quantity of sugar cane will be grown as seed for distribution in that section. At the same time further tests will be made to prove the value of the improved varieties and the importance of wider spacing of rows, better cultivation, etc. In these a given area will be cultivated in the ordinary manner on the station grounds by a native grower, while a similar plot will be planted with improved varieties and cultivated by modern methods. It has been proved that double the present tonnage of sugar cane may be produced on many of the haciendas by the use of improved varieties and modern methods.—*Cablenews*.

United Sordang Plantations. The report of the United Sordang (Sumatra) Rubber Plantations, Limited, states that the crop of rubber harvested for the year to August 31 amounted to 1,827,943 lbs. (1,827,870 lbs. of Para and 64 lbs. of Rambong) against an estimate of 1,720,000 lbs. and a previous year's total of 1,185,234 lbs. The crop realised a gross of 2s. 3 1/2d. per lb (London equivalent new terms), against an all-in cost (London) of 1s. 1 1/2d. per lb. The crop of Robusta coffee from Soensei Merah estate for the year amounted to 115 piculs, and was sold locally at a net average of 39s. 10d. per picul. This product has now been entirely cut out. The estimated crop of rubber for the current year is 2,205,004 lbs. The net profit for the year is £108,276, to which should be added the balance brought forward, £16,338, together making £124,612. Deduct interim dividend of 15 per cent. paid in June, £34,159. This leaves available £90,453, which the directors propose should be dealt with as follows:—By placing to reserve account £10,000, by payment of a final dividend at the rate of 15 per cent., which absorbs £34,159, leaving to carry forward £16,294.

Behn Meyer and Co. We (*Straits Times*), learn from a Batavia contemporary that the firm of Behn Meyer and Co. has been converted into a limited liability company registered in Netherlands India, and will henceforth trade under the style "N. V. Behn Meyer and Co., Handelmaatschappij," with Mr. G. Rademacher as director. In connection with this announcement, our Java contemporary remarks:—"In view of the numerous very peculiar matters which have been brought up against Messrs. Behn Meyer and Co. in Singapore since the beginning of the war, it is to be hoped that Government will not have occasion to repeat the readiness with which they have permitted this conversion of a German firm into a Netherlands Indian limited liability company."

Bau Cyanide Works. Gold exports from Bau Cyanide Works for December amounted to 2,201.3 oz., and silver 507.9 oz.

Financial Situation in Szechwan. A Chengtu telegram to the Sinwan Paoreports:—Mr. Steilof, the Associate Director General of the Salt Administration, has destroyed \$1,700,000 worth of military notes at Luchow in Szechwan by burning them, and will burn over two million and a half dollars' worth of military notes at Chungking. The Civil Governor of Szechwan now proposes to have \$5,000,000 worth of silver dollars as a reserve fund to buy up notes at the market value and thus the price of the notes has risen and the exchange has become uncertain. The Chamber of Commerce has asked the authorities to stop minting fifty-cent copper coins but the authorities have not decided the matter yet.

		SELLERS	SA-SALES	BUYERS	N.—NOMINAL	
	To-day's STOCK.	Number of Shares	Par Value	Paid Up	1914. 1914. 1915. 1915.	
	Closing Prices				Lowest, 22nd Jan. to now	
					Highest, 22nd Jan. to now	
					Last Dividend and Date	
Banks.						
Hongkong & Shai Banking Corp.	£825	12,000	\$125	all 855	July 700 Oct. 825 790	
	£71/-				{ £2.3/- at ex 1/10% equal to \$22.80 for 1/2 year ending 30/6/14	
Marine Insurances.						
Canton Insurance Office, Ltd.	£40	s. 10,000	\$50	50 350	Dec. 305 Oct. 340 340	
North China Ins. Co., Ltd.	£160	b. 10,000	£15	5 145	May 133 Jan. 160 160	
Union Ins. Society of Cton, Ltd.	£800	b. 2,400	\$250	100 847	April 700 Oct. \$800 6790	
Yangtsze Ins. Assoc. Ltd.	£215	b. 12,000	\$100	60 20	April 1921 Jan. 215 205	
Fire Insurances.						
China Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.	£150	b. 20,000	\$100	20 160	July 140 Oct. 150 150	
Hongkong Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.	£390	b. 8,000	\$250	60 895	Feb. 368 April 390 385	
Shipping.						
China & Manila S.S. Co., Ltd.	£46	b. 30,000	\$25	all 10	Jan. 5/2 Dec. 6 6	
Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd.	£30	s. 20,000	£50	all 36	Mar. 27/2 Nov. 30 30	
Hongkong C. & M.S.S. Co., Ltd.	£19	b. 80,000	£15	all 29/4	Jan. 22 Dec. 19 19	
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.	£66	s. { 60,000 £5 } all 79	Jan. 50	Sept. 66 66	{ Final of 3% mking 6% on preferred shares & 5% on deferred shares for year 1913	
Shell T'port & Trading Co., Ltd.	£82/-	s. £3,797,610 £1	all 106/-	Feb. 70/- Sept. 82/- 82/-	{ Interim of 1/- a/c 1915 C.No. 23	
Star Ferry Company, Ltd.	£37	s. 40,000	\$10	all 49	Mar. 40 Nov. 37 37	{ \$1.70 per share and bonus of 30 cents per share for year ending 30/4/14
Refineries.						
China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	£93	b. 20,000	\$100	all 96	Feb. 70 Nov. 93 85	
Luzon Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	£134	b. 7,000	\$100	all 31	Jan. 17 Dec. 13 13	
Mining.						
Kailan Mining Adminstration	£22	s. 1,000,000 £1	all 41/-	Feb. 33/6 Dec. 32/- 32/-	{ Final of 5% Coupon No. 4 making 10% for year ending 30/6/14	
Raub Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	£21	b. 200,000 £1	all 310	Jan. 190 Nov. 21 235	{ Interim of 50 cts. for 1/2 year ending 30/6/14	
Trough Mines Ltd.	£23/6	160,000 £1	all 39/-	Feb. 19/6 Nov. 25/6	{ Final of 5% mking 6% on preferred shares & 5% on deferred shares for year 1913	
Docks, Wharves and Godowns &c.						
Hongkong & K.W.&G. Co., Ltd.	£70	s. 60,000	\$50	all 89	Jan. 73 Nov. 70 70	
Hongkong & W'port D Co., Ltd.	£57	s. 50,000	\$50	all 77	Jan. 53 Oct. 57 57	
Shai Dock & Eng. Co., Ltd.	£51	b. 56,700	t. 100	all 60	July 50 Dec. 51 51	
Shai & H'kew. W. Co., Ltd.	£91	b. 66,000	t. 100	all 109	Jan. 82/2 Dec. 91 90	
Lands, Hotels and Buildings.						
Anglo French Lands	£94	b. 25,000	t. 100	all 100	—	
Hongkong Hotel Co., Ltd.	£124	b. 12,000	\$50	25 128	July 120 Dec. 124 124	
H'kong Land Investment Co.	£114	s. 50,000	\$100	all 117/2	July 98 Nov. 114 114	
H'phrys Estate & F.Co., Ltd.	£77	s. 150,000	\$10	all 91/4	Jan. 7 Nov. 71 71	
K'loon Land & Building Co., Ltd.	£44	b. 60,000	\$50	20 45	Jan. 44 Feb. 44 44	
Shanghai Lands	£101	b. 78,000	t. 50	all 98	Dec. 89 Oct. 101 98	
West Point Building Co., Ltd.	£71	s. 12,000	\$50	all 73	June 66 Feb. 71 71	
Manila's P'tole Hotel	£8	16,000	p. 10	all —	— 8 8	
H'kong Central Estates	£99	b. 10,000	\$100	all —	— 100 99	
Cotton Mills.						
Ewo Cotton S. & W. Co., Ltd.	£130	b. 20,000	t. 50	all 138	July 125 May 130 130	
H'ngkong Cotton Co.	£6	b. 125,000	\$10	all 82/4	Mar. 7 June 6 6	
Kung Yik	11/4	b. 75,000	t. 10	all 142	Jan. 11 Mar. 11 11	
Louo Kung Mow	72	b. 8,000	t. 100	all 110	Feb. 70 May 75 72	
Shanghai Cottons	£35	40,000	t. 50	all 135	Feb. 70 Nov. 85 84	
Miscellaneous.						
China Borneo Company, Ltd.	£11	s. 60,000	\$7	all 12	May 10 Dec. 11 11	
China Light & Power Co., Ltd.	£4	s. 50,000	\$5	all 4.90	July 4 April 4 4	
Do. (Spec. shares)	£4	50,000	\$1	all 9	Jan. 7 Nov. 7.90 7.90	
China Prot. L. & M. Co., Ltd.	£7.50	b. 200,000	\$10	all 9	Jan. 7 Nov. 36 35	
Dairy Farm Company, Ltd.	£85	s. 40,000	7	6 39	June 35 35	
Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.	£54	b. 400,000	\$10	all 6.90	Jan. 5 Dec. 52 52	
Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.	£87	90,000	\$10	all 49	Jan. 36 Nov. 37 37	
Hongkong Ice Company, Ltd.	£190	b. 5,000	\$25	217/6	July 174 Dec. 190 190	
Hongkong Rope Mig. Co., Ltd.	£25	b. 60,000	\$10	all 25	June 22 Apr. 25 25	
Hongkong Tramway Co., Ltd.	£51	s. 325,000	5/-	all 13/-	July 7/- Feb. 5/4 5/4	
Langkats	£40	250,000	g. 10	all 64/2	Mar. 28 Dec. 43 38	
Peak Tramway Co., Ltd.	£10	b. 26,000	\$10	all 101/2	Jan. 91/4 June 10 10	
Do. (New) 90 cts.	b. 50,000	\$10	£1.	93 cts.	Jan. 75 cts. 75 cts.	
Philippines Ltd.	£5	75,000	\$10	all 10	— 5 5	
H. Price & Co., Ltd.	£6	—	—	—	6 6	
Societedes Pulpes et Papier teries du Tonkin	£20	13,200	\$50	all —	— 20 20	
Shanghai Sumatras	£135	18,000	t. 20	all —	— 135 135	
Steam Laundry Co., Ltd.	£4	s. 20,000	\$5	all 5.00	June 4 Nov. 4 4	
Union Water-boat Co., Ltd.	£18	50,000	\$10	all 22/4	Feb. 17 Jan. 18 18	
Watson and Co., Ltd.	£7	b. 90,000	\$10	all 8½	April 6.90 Dec. 7 7	
William Powell, Limited	£6½	s. 2,1000	\$7	all 9½	Jan. 6½ Dec. 6½ 6½	
S. C. Morning Post	£29	b. 6,000	\$25	all 30	June 29 Dec. 29 29	

WRIGHT & HORNBY.

Share and General Brokers.

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CORRECTED TO NOON FEB. 1, 1915.

THE TELEGRAPH DOES NOT HOLD ITSELF RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY OF THE ABOVE QUOTATIONS.

EXCHANGE.

February 1st.

Demand India	.....	133½	T/T. France	.....	2.21	Gold Leaf per tael ..	.. \$57.93
T/T. Bombay	.....	1/9 3/16	Demand Paris	.....	2.21½	Sovereign .....	.. \$11.10
Demand Bombay	.....	133½	On Haiphong	.....	5½%	Bar Silver ready .....	.. 2½ 5/8
30 d/s.....	.....	1/9 5/16	T/T. Calcutta	.....	87 1/2	forward .....	..
60 d/s.....	.....	1/9 3/8	Demand Calcutta	.....	1/9 ½	Buying .....	..
4 m/s.....	.....	1/9 3/8	Demand Manila	.....	4 m/s. L/C/P.....	1/9 ½	
T/T Shanghai	.....	78	T/T. San F'co & N.Y.43	.....	4 m/s. D/P.....	1/10	
Private 30 d/s sight	.....	—	Demand New York 43 1/8	.....	6 m/s. L/C.....	1/10 1/4	
T/T Singapore	.....	75½	T/T. Marks.....	.....	30 d/s. S'ney & M.	1/10 1/4	
T/T Japan	.....	37 1/4					

OFFICIAL NIGHTS.

The following table shows the standard time at which Official Night ends and begins during the month of February, 1915—

Date.	Ends.	Begins.
Feb. 1st.	6.50 a.m.	6.24 p.m.
" 2nd.	6.50 "	6.24 "
" 3rd.	6.49 "	6.25 "
" 4th.	6.49 "	6.25 "
" 5th.	6.49 "	6.25 "
" 6th.	6.48 "	6.26 "
" 7th.	6.48 "	6.26 "
" 8th.	6.47 "	6.27 "
" 9th.	6.47 "	6.27 "
" 10th.	6.46 "	6.28 "
" 11th.	6.45 "	6.29 "
" 12th.	6.45 "	6.29 "
" 13th.	6.44 "	6.30 "
" 14th.	6.43 "	6.31 "
" 15th.	6.43 "	6.31 "
" 16th.	6.43 "	6.31 "
" 17th.	6.42 "	6.32 "
" 18th.	6.42 "	6.32 "
" 19th.	6.41 "	6.33 "
" 20th.	6.40 "	6.34 "
" 21st.	6.39 "	6.35 "
" 22nd.	6.38 "	6.36 "
" 23rd.	6.38 "	6.36 "
" 24th.	6.37 "	6.36 "
" 25th.	6.36 "	6.36 "
" 26th.	6.36 "	6.37 "
" 27th.	6.35 "	6.37 "
" 28th.	6.34 "	6.37 "

CAPTURED OR DETAINED.

Lists of Vessels and Cargoes Held.

The following lists which appeared in the London Gazette of the 1st and 11th December, 1914, are published for general information:

Vessels Detained, or Captured at Sea by His Majesty's Armed Forces.

Name. Nationality. Where Tonnage. Detained.

Alfred Norwegian, Kirkwall. Nobel (4789), German, Alexandria. (3220), Bjornstjerne Bjornson, Norwegian, Leith. Concordor Austrian, Alexandria. (1703), Fram, Norwegian, Kirkwall. Fridland, Swedish, Kirkwall. Kalymnos, German, Malta. (2939).

Kameran German, Captured outside. Duals. Kara Deniz Turkish, Bombay, (5012), Kim, Norwegian, Falmouth. Liberian, British, Sierra Leone. Ran Norwegian, Liverpool. (3022), Rechid Turkish, Glasgow. Pacha (570), Sandefjord Norwegian, Halifax (6026), Sigrun Norwegian, Newport (Mon.)

Ships Whose Cargoes or Part of Them Have Been Detained.

Name. Nationality. Cargo Detained at Vessel.

Ajax, British, Falmouth. Amatonga, British, London. Anselm, British, Liverpool. Antigone, British, London. Atturon, British, Liverpool. Bresca, British, Liverpool. Canton, Swedish, Newcastle City of Madras, British, London. Craigie, Norwegian, Simons Bay. Cumberland, British, Falmouth. Danube, British, London. Danube, French, London. Egba, British, Liverpool. Elisabethville, Belgian, Liverpool. Erato, British, London.

CHRISTMAS ON A BATTLESHIP.

(Continued from page 3.) battery. He said how proud he was of T. Battery. " You have upheld all the traditions of the Royal Horse Artillery. At times the battery was fighting three to one, and had always held their own. I hope your hardships are all over, but we never know the future and what it may bring forth." I am sure he made every man proud of his battery." From Gunner R. Smyler to friends in Yarmouth.

Field Humour.

A Willedean member of the London Scottish, writing from "Somewhere in France," gives an instance of the high spirits of the men. Football was in progress, and, owing to the scarcity of balls, about 350 of the men had to be content to look on. Suddenly one of the spectators stopped the game with a loud shout, and proceeded to make a recruiting speech to the crowd of soldiers, telling them that this was not the time for football when their King and country needed them. The speech produced no "recruits," but even the London Scottish appreciated the joke.

Ordeal of a Retirement.

We came under a terrific shell fire the first time I saw the Germans, and we had to retire. I was in charge of the ammunition carts. The horses became a bit terrified at the bursting, whistling, and screaming shells, and catching hold of one of the tailboard chains I was hauled helter-skelter down the hillside. The strides I had to take fitted in very well with my "seven-league" boots. Near the bottom one of the carts turned a somersault, horses and all, and we had to get right under the pitiless hail of shell. We did it though, and marvelled that all our skins were whole. I cannot speak too highly of the endurance, fortitude, and bravery of our men during that hardest of all tasks, retirement. No beer or skittles in that game—a letter from a Private in the 1st Northamptons.

Flaminian, British, Liverpool. George Hawley, United States, Falmouth. Glenlochy, British, London. Jeanne Bonnion, French, Cork. Kalomo, British, London. Llandover Castle, British, London. Mardianian, British, Liverpool. Moeris, British, Liverpool. Onitis, British, Liverpool. Oromo, British, Liverpool. Peking, Swedish, Falmouth. Perseus, British, London. Prins Maritz, Netherland, Trinidad. Salybia, British, Trinidad. Sarpedon, Netherland, London. Servasia, British, London. Scoparoren, Norwegian, Glasgow. Stuart Prince, British, Manchester. Taurus, Norwegian, Gibraltar. Troldfos, Norwegian, Zanzibar. Tyr, Norwegian, Glasgow. Vandal, Netherland, London.

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Fahoi & Haiphong—Per KAIKONG, 2nd Feb., 10 a.m.

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Shanghai & N. China—Per ANHUI, 2nd Feb., 3 p.m.

Philippines Is.—Per KUEICHOW, 2nd Feb., 3 p.m.

Swatow, Amoy, Formosa via Aping and Takao—Per HOSHU M., 2nd Feb., 4 p.m.

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THURSDAY, 4th Feb.

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Siberian Mail: Shanghai and North China (Europe via Siberia) Per YINGCHOW, 4th Feb., 3 p.m.

Tientsin-Pukow Service Shanghai Br. P.O. Monday, 8th Feb.

Ningpo, Shanghai & North China—Per IOHANG, 4th Feb., 3 p.m.

MONDAY, 8th Feb.

Philippines Is., Australia, Tasmania, New Zealand and New Guinea via Thursday Island—Per EMPIRE, 8th Feb., 10 a.m.

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Ships' Letter Boxes.

1. It is hereby notified that during the continuance of the War all outgoing correspondence must be posted at the General Post Office or at any of its Branch Offices.

2. Ships' Officers are strictly forbidden to receive on board their vessels any correspondence from the Public.

3. Shipmasters are not allowed to place or expose on board their vessels letter boxes for the purpose of collecting correspondence; all such boxes found exposed on board their vessels will be removed and returned to the General Post Office.

4. Shipping Companies must not receive from the Public "Free Inclusive in their ships' Papers any but bona fide commercial letters which should be left open for inspection when required."

5. Shipping Companies should state in their notifications to the Post Office the exact hour of departure of their vessels in order that the public may have every facility for posting at the General Post Office.

6. Shipping Companies and Ships' Officers must send to the Post Office ALL correspondence posted in the Ships' Letter Boxes or received by Ships' Officers at the ports from which they sailed, everywhere en route to Hongkong.

War risks are not covered by postal registration or insurance.

THE PARCEL POST AND INSURED LETTER SYSTEM TO BRAZIL IS SUSPENDED.

NOTICE IS GIVEN THAT ALTHOUGH EVERY POSSIBLE PRECAUTION IS TAKEN TO SECURE THE SAFETY OF ALL POSTAL PACKETS WHILEST IN THE CUSTODY OF THE POST OFFICE, THE POSTMASTER GENERAL CANNOT GIVE COMPENSATION FOR ANY LOSS OR DAMAGE WHICH MAY BE DUE TO THE ACT OF KING'S ENEMIES. UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE NO LETTERS, BOXES, OR PARCELS FOR BELGIUM, BRAZIL, CRETE OR MONTENEGRO AND NO LETTERS, BOXES OR PARCELS FOR MALTA CAN BE ACCEPTED FOR INSURANCE.

The services to Germany, Austria, and their Colonies, and to the Ottoman Empire are suspended as are also the Posts' services to France & Tsingtao.

The Public are informed that Gold and Silver in Coin or Bullion & Paper Money cannot be accepted for transmission through the Post without a permit issued by the Superintendent of Imports & Exports.

The Pillar Box formerly at the junction of Percival Street and Praya East has now been removed to Causeway Bay.

It will be cleared at the following times:

8.00 & 11.00 a.m. 2.00 & 5.00 p.m.

8.00 a.m., on Sundays & Holiday.

The American Mail, ex "Mongolia" has been transferred to the Cordillera, which is due to arrive here on the 5th February.

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Sado Maru, Jap. ss, 3,622, A. Asakawa, 31st Jan. Shanghai, 28th Jan. Gen.—N.Y. K.

Lairds, Br. ss, 1,350, A. Jenkins, 31st Jan.—Salon, 26th Jan. Rice & Gen.—Chinese.

Chingchow, Br. ss, 1,195, J. Doyle, 31st Jan.—Kwangtung, 27th January. Cementations—S. T. & Co.

Hongkong, French ss, 742, A. Marguerite, 31st Jan.—Haiphong, 19th Jan. Gen.—A. R. Mart.

Hochang, Br. ss, 1,226, Piko, 30th Jan.—Hongkong, 21st Jan. Coal—B. & S.

Takao, Br. ss, 957, McClure, 31st Jan.—Holloway, 30th Jan. Gen. & Rice—J. M. & Co.

Heijo Maru, Jap. ss, 1,594, T. Nakamura, 31st Jan.—Kinghorn, 27th Jan. Salt—D. & C.

Unila, Br. ss, 846, T. P. Paul, 1st Inst.—Saigon, 27th ult. Coal & Gen.—D. & C. & Co.

Tjimnoek, Dutch ss, 3,510, A. W. La Rooney, 1st Inst.—Java, 23rd ult. Gen.—J. C. L.

Yingchow, Br. ss, 1,216, E. L. Jones, 31st Jan.—Shanghai, Gen.—B. & S.

Bayarin, Russ. ss, 1,639, G. Balding, 1st Inst.—Haiphong, 23rd ult. Gen.—Chinese.

Haiyang, Br. ss, 1,362, A. E. Hodges, 31st Jan.—Swatow, 30th ult. Gen.—D. & C. & Co.

Anyo Maru, Jap. ss, Ota, 1st Inst.—Moji, 29th ult. Coal & Gen.—T.K.K.

Tsuanan, Maru, Jap. ss, Sakai, 1st Inst.—Hongkong, 29th ult. Coal—M. B. K.

Pynthus, Br. ss, 4,292, Geo. Radway, 1st Inst.—Shanghai, 29th ult. Gen.—B. & S.

China Coast Meteorological Register. 1st Feb., a.m.

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January 30.